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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement mailed June 28, 2004, setting a one (1) month period for response which expires on July 28, 2004.

R E M A R K S

In the office action mailed June 28, 2004, the Examiner required restriction between the following groups of invention:

- I. Claims 1 - 19, drawn to a method for generating power, classified in class 60; and
- II. Claims 20 - 32, drawn to a system for generating power, classified in class 244.

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group II, claims 20 - 32, for the purposes of examination. The selection is made with traverse.

The Examiner is hereby requested to withdraw the restriction requirement in light of the following comments. In the office action, the Examiner contends that the system as claimed can be used on a ship. This contention is erroneous. A review of claim 20 clearly shows that the claim includes the

following limitation: "a pneumatically operated means for receiving said bleed air and for generating power to operate equipment onboard an aircraft". This limitation cannot be met on a ship. Thus, the basis for the restriction requirement is defective and thus the requirement should be withdrawn.

With regard to the election of species, Applicants hereby elect Species A. Claims 20 - 27 and 30 - 32 are generic and claim 29 is specific to the elected species.

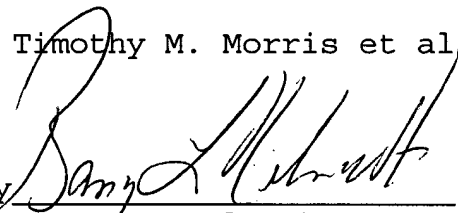
An early action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner believe an amendment is needed to place the case in condition for allowance, he is hereby invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

No fee is believed to be due as a result of this response. Should the Commissioner determine that a fee is due, he is hereby authorized to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

Respectfully submitted,

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